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This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated October 31, 2006 (Paper No. 20061027). Responsive to the Final Office Action, please amend the aboveidentified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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